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# STRICKEN IN KINGSTON

## BULLETIN.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—The streets of Kingston are to-day wholly unsafe, owing to the tottering condition of the buildings, according to a cablegram received to-day by the manager of the West Indian and Panama Telegraph Company. The message was sent from Bull Bay, about eight miles from Kingston. It states that the shocks are still continuing, that people are fleeing from the city and that everybody is camping in the hills. The walls of the Holland Bay House are in a broken and crumbling condition, and while the building stands, it is a tottering wreck. The message says that there is not a house or building in a safe condition between the Bull Bay station and Kingston.

### HOPE TO ELECT GODDARD RHODE ISLAND

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 16.—The result of the first ballot for a successor to United States Senator George Prentiss Wetmore, in which the Republican vote was divided between William and Goddard, was optimistic in the extreme, Senator Wetmore (father of this city, who died) being elected by a large majority. The result of the second ballot was also optimistic, Goddard's name in nomination, extending himself as holding that the position of the Rhode Island candidate is better now than before the election.

He stated that he believed that the Rhode Island vote would be enough to elect him, and that he would be glad to see the Rhode Island vote in the hands of the Rhode Island people. He stated that he believed that the Rhode Island vote would be enough to elect him, and that he would be glad to see the Rhode Island vote in the hands of the Rhode Island people.

**SCORE HURT WHEN TRAIN AXLE BREAKS**

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 16.—Passenger train No. 84 on the Southern Railway, was wrecked near here today by the breaking of an axle on the tender of the engine. A number of passengers are reported injured. The property loss is heavy.

### COLONIAL OFFICE GETS REPORT FROM JAMAICA GOVERNOR

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Sir Alexander Swettenham, Governor of Jamaica, cables the colonial office as follows: "Earthquake did considerable damage to houses and other buildings in Kingston. It was followed by fire, which continues, although confined to about one-sixteenth part of town, containing wharves and warehouses.

"The camp hospital was destroyed, killing thirty soldiers. No officers were killed, but Major Headman was seriously injured. The town hospital is crowded with 300 injured. Fire is now decreasing. The Myrtlebank Hotel was destroyed, also the cable office.

"Delegates to the agricultural conference and members of Sir Alfred Jones's expedition are believed uninjured. Number of casualties not ascertained. Slighter shocks continue."

### KINGSTON STILL CUT OFF FROM WORLD

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The Commercial Cable Company is working as far as Turk's Island, and tests show their cables to be intact to within ten miles of Jamaica. The Western Union is working to Holland Bay, but the land lines to Kingston have not been restored.

### United Fruit Company Dispatch Says Hundreds May Be Dead

"MERCANTILE section of Kingston including our office completely destroyed by earthquake and fire. Several hundred reported killed. Myrtlebank and Constanine Springs Hotel practically destroyed."

The above unsigned cablegram was received to-day at the Boston office of the United Fruit Company from Jamaica.

The dispatch is believed to have been sent from some of the employees of the company at Kingston. There is some doubt as to whether the message had been delayed in transmission and was sent before the later estimates of the casualties were made. If, as it appears from its face, it was sent to-day it would tend to indicate that the disaster is much greater than previous bulletins have indicated.

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### CITY FIRE SWEEP; HEAVY LIFE LOSS

BY PUBLISHERS PRESS.

HOLLAND BAY, Jamaica, Jan. 16.—Latest reports from Kingston overlaid are that the deaths from the earthquake and fire will exceed 100. This estimate is, if anything, too low, and will be increased when a thorough search has been made in the fire district and in collapsed buildings in the native quarter.

Thirty negro soldiers perished in the military hospital alone. Sir James Ferguson was killed by a falling wall. He is the only white man of prominence thus far reported among the dead.

Order has been restored under strong military control. But few people have returned to their homes, even where slight damage was done Monday night; there was looting in the wrecked buildings, but patrols of soldiers soon put a stop to it. Several officers were caught and locked up in barracks.

Shipping in the harbor is reported to have escaped injury with the exception of some little craft which could not be pulled away from the burning docks in time. In other quarters the houses are more detached. This prevented greater destruction by fire. There was only a slight breeze.

### Came Without Warning.

The quake came at 2:29 Monday afternoon, absolutely without warning. The weather was warm and cloudless. Streets were practically deserted, the people being indoors sleeping off the last of their afternoon siestas or lounging upon piazzas.

The first shock was like a quivering blow, as if a giant fist had smashed against the under side of the earth's crust. Objects leaped into the air and people were hurled to the ground. There was an instant of suspense, and then came other shocks some with a lateral motion, which brought to the ground loosened masonry, timbers and whole houses. A number of people in the streets who were keeping close to the sides of the buildings for the sake of the shade were killed by falling cornices.

From stores and houses people ran out, reeling as if they were drunk. Then, by a common instinct, they fled toward the open country in the foothills back of the town. Nine-tenths of the refugees were colored people who were nearly all in the buildings and stores along the harbor and Kingston street, or in detached hotels and villas back of the city.

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### MRS. GUILD SHOWS GAIN

It was stated at the executive department to-day that Mrs. Guild passed a very comfortable and peaceful night, that her temperature and pulse are now quite normal, and her condition is considerably improved, though not yet pronounced entirely out of danger.

### MAN SLAIN AT CAPITOL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—A man, giving his name as Otto Boehmer of Pulla, shot and instantly killed R. Van Tine, a fillographer, at the Medical Museum to-day.

### WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH

VALLEY FALLS, N. Y., Jan. 16.—Mrs. Theresa Gordon, wife of George Gordon, was burned to death in a fire at their home on Maple Street to-day. She was fifty years old. Edward Loring attempted to save her, but was unable.

### INDICT WALSH IN BANK SCANDAL

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—A true bill charging John B. Walsh in thirty-five counts with the misappropriation of the funds of the Chicago National Bank has been voted by the special Federal Grand Jury. Judge J. B. Anderson of Indianapolis, before whom the jury was sworn in at the request of Judge C. C. Butler, has been appointed to try the case and will be here to-morrow or Friday so that the indictment may be returned before him in open court.

### FEVER EPIDEMIC IS UNDER CONTROL

The worst fever epidemic which ravaged Boston for nearly twenty years in the opinion of the Board of Health was at an end, only fourteen cases being reported within the past twenty-four hours, the same number during the previous twenty-four hours and only about fifty cases in the morning.

### NEGROES IN TERROR WAIT END OF WORLD

HOLLAND BAY, Jan. 16.—Nearly all the white survivors have been taken care of by the underground hotels back of town and in private residences. The largest part of the negro quarter is intact, but the rest of the message is still repeating in the papers.

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### WASHINGTON SEEKS NEWS OF DISASTER; ORDERS NAVAL AID

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The government departments are endeavoring to get official news regarding the devastation wrought by the earthquake at Kingston, Jamaica.

The State Department has called W. H. Orrett, acting United States Consul at the Jamaica capital, as well as the naval agents at other points on the island, but on account of the interruption of the land lines in Jamaica it is expected that there will be considerable delay in obtaining news.

The Navy Department takes it for granted that Admiral "Duke" Strait, in command of the fleet of Guantanamo, has already been informed by radio and wireless to offer all possible assistance. The fleet of cruisers and destroyers is now in the southern Atlantic coast.

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### Many Fires Burst Out.

Of the big hotels only the Myrtlebank, a three-story building built about three miles of a palm court and located on Harbor street, was destroyed. This hotel is owned by the government and leased by the Elder Dempster Steamship Company, and was filled with English tourists.

Within fifteen minutes after the first shock, fires were burning in a dozen places. No concerted effort was made by the firemen until whole blocks were in flames. All that could then be done was to prevent the fire from crossing the river thoroughfares.

Within a very short time troops were marched in from the barracks to the aid in the work of rescue. Sir Alexander Swettenham, governor of the island, took charge. He was actively assisted by Sir Alfred Jones, a visiting Englishman, by officials of the United Fruit Company and by steamship and hotel men. The cable building was among those destroyed, and efforts to open wire communication with this place failed. A number of persons were killed.

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BY ITS  
CORPS  
OF EXPERTS

# THOMAS WANTS 156 RINGSIDE

### KID TRAINS FOR MATTY.

Kid Goodman is training down at Diamond Hill for his match with Matty Baldwin, which is carded as the next show at the Rhode Island A. C., the 15th of the month. Baldwin, who has a record of 10 New York, may edgestep the match with 1 take on Tommy Murphy, who will meet him and try to reverse the result of the fight on him.

The last two meetings are considered extremely doubtful, as the Cincinnati track has been sold to a real estate syndicate and no meeting has been held at Memphis since 1904.

A formal meeting held in the street was decided to recognize the situation

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Mr. Tillman's  
Attack on  
President Roosevelt

Will Mr. Tillman Kindly Get Excited  
About THE CHILDREN OF THE  
WOMEN?

The United States Senate was lively on Saturday. Senator Tillman—one of the honest men actually representing HUMAN BEINGS and not trusts in the Senate (you can count such men easily on your fingers and toes), attacked the President in connection with the "negro problem."

Some things that Tillman said are not as easily understood in the North as in the South. He certainly made it clear, however, to everybody that this country has got one very considerable race problem on its hands, and that it does not mean to have another one brought in from China by Mr. Roosevelt.

Mr. Tillman reminded the President very truly that he would not accept a Chinese or a Japanese for a daughter-in-law, and said to him, on behalf of the people, that they do not care as a nation to have yellow blood in their families or in their industrial life.

Mr. Tillman spoke especially on that very much discussed Brownsville incident. It will be noticed by our readers that that matter has not at any time been mentioned in this column thus far. We feel that it is rather important to deal with such matters cautiously. It is easy to arouse harmful feeling on both sides.

Certainly, however, neither the innocent men in the regiment nor the innocent public was protected by Mr. Roosevelt's action. There were murders committed, and THE PUNISHMENT FOR MURDER IN THE UNITED STATES IS NOT DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMY.

Mr. Roosevelt, meaning well undoubtedly, but very much excited and perhaps taking an exaggerated view of his own importance, dismissed a hundred and sixty-seven men dishonorably from the army, when it is perfectly well known that a dozen, or a score at most, could have been involved.

As a result, men who had committed no crime were disgraced and deprived of a living. And what is far more serious from the selfish public point of view, A NUMBER OF MURDERERS WERE TURNED LOOSE IN THE COMMUNITY, WITH NO OTHER PUNISHMENT THAN DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMY.

The people expect EFFICIENCY in men of high office. They expect at least caution when men go beyond their powers. It seems to this newspaper that Mr. Roosevelt might better have kept under the hands of the authorities THE MEN THAT WERE ACTUALLY GUILTY OF MURDER IN BROWNVILLE, and exhausted every legitimate painstaking effort to identify them, rather than turn them all loose to commit other murders if they choose, and at the same time filling with just resentment the men that were discharged after having committed no crime.

There was a great crowd in the gallery to listen to Mr. Tillman. He is a powerful man, and says what he thinks very plainly. In reply to the statement of Senator Patterson as to lynchings in South Carolina, Senator Tillman said:

"As long as the negroes continue to attack white women we shall continue to lynch them."

Passing over the very grave question involved here, and realizing that the negro problem must be met and solved BY THE SOUTH, we would ask Senator Tillman if it is possible to devote part of his fiery enthusiasm to the CHILD LABOR OUTRAGES IN THE SOUTH.

Of course Senator Tillman and the other good men of the South detect the idea of child labor. Nevertheless, HUNDREDS AND THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN ARE BEING MURDERED IN MILLS IN THE SOUTH, THEIR YOUNG LIVES ARE BEING TURNED INTO DOLLARS BY HUMAN BEINGS JUST AS BRUTAL AS ANY MURDERER THAT EVER WALKED.

The determination of Senator Tillman and other chivalrous men of the South TO PROTECT WOMEN does them credit.

Could they not also devote part of their energies TO PROTECTING THE CHILDREN OF SOUTHERN WOMEN?

Everybody knows that the slightest insult or affront to a woman is promptly resented where Mr. Tillman lives. What a good thing it would be for childhood in the South if this devotion to the rights of women COULD EXTEND TO THE CHILDREN OF THE WOMEN!

Surely no greater affront could be offered to a mother of the South than to take her children and grind out their young lives for profit. We should be glad to see Mr. Tillman talk to the Senate as straightforwardly, AS VIOLENTLY, about capital's shameful lynching of children, ATTACKS HAPPENING EVERY DAY, as he does frequently about the race problem and the attacks on women.

Where Braintree  
Beats Boston

By Frank Parsons, Ph.D.

WE have seen that the Detroit Edison Electric Company gives small consumers 10 per cent. discount, medium consumers 15 per cent. off and the largest consumers 20 per cent. off, while the Boston Edison Company gives small consumers of electric light no discount at all, while big consumers get 40 and 50 per cent.

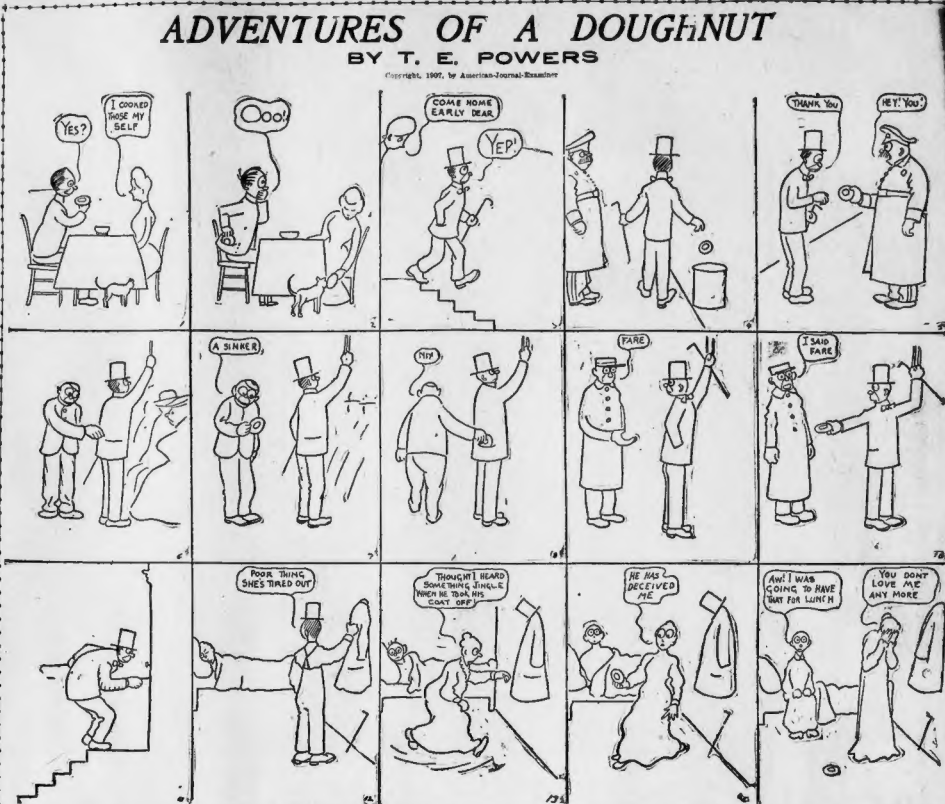
The Detroit Edison Company comes nearer to equal treatment of the poor than our own Edison Company, but the Braintree municipal plant here in Massachusetts gives small consumers one better, for it makes a uniform rate of 45 cents a kilowatt hour to all customers.

Can't the Edison Company of Boston do as well by the people as the Braintree municipal?

If it charged the big men 54, or 4 cents instead of 3 or 4 cents, couldn't it afford to bring down the price to the small men to the same level or near it?

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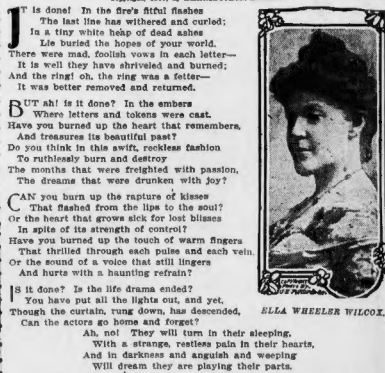


Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Burn Your Love Letters, She Says; They Are  
More Dangerous Than Dynamite in the House

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

It is done! In the first of the flashes the last line has withered and curled; In a tiny white heap of dead ashes lie buried the hopes of your world. There were mad, foolish words in each letter—It is well they have shriveled and burned; And the ring on the ring was a fellow—it was better removed and returned.

BUT what is it done? In the embers Where letters and tokens were cast, Have you burned up the heart that remembers. And treasures its beautiful past? Do you think in this swift, reckless fashion To rub out the heart that remembers? The months that were freighted with passion, The dreams that were drunken with joy?

CAN you burn up the rapture of kisses That flashed from the lips to the soul? Or the heart that groves sick for lost blisses In spite of its strength of control? Have you burned up the touch of warm fingers That thrilled through each pulse and each vein Or the sound of a voice that still lingers And hurls with a haunting refrain?

Is it done? Is the life drama ended? You have put all the lights out, and yet, Though the curtain, rung down, has descended, Can the actors go home and forget?

Alas, no! They will turn in their sleeping. With a strange, restless pain in their hearts, And in darkness and anguish and weeping Will dream they are playing their parts.

ON, the folly of it!

It is suddenly swept off his feet by a tidal wave of passion. Sometimes he is safely landed on shore by a happy turn of the wind or by the life-saving crew of Providence. Who capable of understanding the grand passion has not felt the keen sense of pleasure that was twin to pain at the sight of the beloved one's handwriting? Where is the man or woman so stolid or commonplace who has not at some time kissed the page whereon a dear hand has rested and then hidden it near the heart, whose accelerated pulses welcome its approach?

And who of deep feeling and wide experience has not at some time felt the own heart scorching with the heat of letters he tossed upon the coal? Let the dead bury the dead, but let the living burn the living. Let the dead bury the dead, but let the living burn the living. Let the dead bury the dead, but let the living burn the living.

Very Foolish

It is one thing to have your husband or wife tell you of an early rehearsal of Cupid's drama before you met. It is another to encounter the love letters written during that period—which were to your exacting heart more suggestive than the role you have been engaged to play in life.

Remember, a monthly moral being

they only need a drink every seven (7)

THE GIRLS THOUGHT THEY WERE CAPTAINS OF FINANCE